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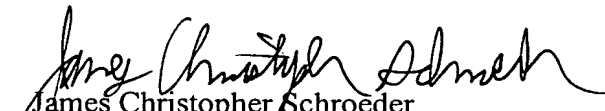
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TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION

In an Office Action mailed on April 3, 2003, on the above-identified U.S. Patent Application, a shortened statutory period of three months was set for response. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a three (3) month time extension so that the period for response to the Office Action expires on October 3, 2003.

The appropriate fee of \$475.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed.

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